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GROUP ART UNIT 2834

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Case No.: 3086/1230 (BH 2068)

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David W. Baarman, et al.)	
)	Examiner: Pedro J. Cuevas
Serial No.: 09/680,345)	
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Filed: October 5, 2000)	
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For: HYDRO-POWER GENERATION)	
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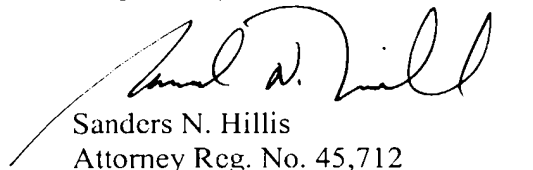
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